

Can you please confirm whether the present bus stop on Harris Avenue will be having a bus shelter? I'm informed from a concerned neighbour that one of our town councillors stated that there would be one erected come what may. As far as I am aware, this Town Councillor was off duty, but the fact he mentioned this in a public place well before it is as yet to be publicly announced is concerning.

I have in the past complained about the small size of posters placed in the LTC noticeboard and the equally small typescript to no avail.

Both Town Councillors were told in no uncertain terms that there was no way they would allow the present bus stop to be replaced by a more substantial stop. If, despite the wishes of neighbouring residents, the shelter goes ahead, all hell may break out. Suffolk County Council and East Suffolk District Council have already caused considerable damage to the town and as the project is also close to the residence of the Chair of the new Lowestoft Independent Archive and an avid supporter of SORO, I suspect there is more in this than meets the eye. I have one technical query - Colin Butler was not with David as a fellow Councillor. He had no visible ID and when challenged refused to put it on or show he had it on his person. Protocol dictates IDs have to be visible at all times, and when not shown must prove they have it about their person. As far as protocol was concerned Colin Butler was there as an observer, not as a councillor.

Re the proposed bus shelter in Harris Avenue Lowestoft : my email reply of yesterday 27th October 2020 - The first part of my email should have made it clear that the residents asked made it clear to the two councillors that in no way would they (the residents) would allow a shelter to be built in that particular location in Harris Avenue, Lowestoft. I and my wife were among those asked by the two councillors as we would be the most affected.

In the present circumstance, and bearing in mind when challenged Colin Butler refused to produce any form of ID to confirm he was there on official local authority business, established protocol dictates that only one councillor, David Youngman, was there in any recognised capacity. I'm concerned that despite a general consensus that under no way would a bus shelter of any description be tolerated by residents asked, there is the question of such a structure creating an influx of antisocial behaviour as revealed in the past with previous projects of a similar nature in Harris Avenue. Vide GETRA minutes, etc, which had to be removed because of antisocial behaviour. Please bear in mind also, that in the present state of the country, in the present pandemic such a structure would also be difficult to maintain. Social distancing would also mean that the shelter - any shelter for that matter - could not be used for public health reasons. There is also the concern that Suffolk County Council would be involved. We may be in the county of Suffolk, but what has Suffolk done for us in the recent past? Apart from stealing our heritage, abandoning the town for rural Suffolk, destroying our heritage sites, maintaining a single line railway link to rural southern Suffolk and our supposed county town, that is? And using information technology "go paperless" as a form of censorship to the general public?? We have as yet received any official documentation regarding the proposed bus shelter.

As residents who will be affected by this shelter, we by law need to be kept up to date not by word of mouth, but by paper - LTC has a little-used noticeboard in the community. As a professionally trained graphic designer, I have complained more than once about the small size of posters and near impossible miniscule type size used in these posters, but to no avail.